



*K London. Oratory, in Lincoln's Inn Fields.*

**The Academical, or Week-  
Day's Subjects of the ORATORY,  
from July 6, in the first Week,  
1726, to August 31, 1728.**



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**T**HE general Principles of Speaking.  
The general Principles of Action.  
Antient History of Action.  
Remarks on some Rules of Quintilian.

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10. The Languages, Antient and Modern.

17. The Elements of History, Antient and Modern.

24. A general View of University Learning.

31. The Action of the Eye and Features.

Sept. 7. Logic, or the Art of Reasoning.

14. The Belles Lettres.

21. Poesy, the Judgment, Delight, and Beauty of it.

28. The Action of the Hands in publick Speaking.

Octob. 5. On the History and Principles of Ethicks, or Moral Philosophy, relating to Happiness, Good and Evil, the Passions, and the Conduct.

12. Rhetorick, or the History and Principles of Eloquence.

19. A Law-reading on the Toleration-Act.

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**Oct. 26.** The General Principles of the Knowledge of Medals.

**Nov. 1.** The History and Principles of Natural Philosophy, in which the Hypotheses of the *Greek and Latin Sects*, and of the Moderns, viz. *Des Cartes, Boyle, Burnet, Newton, &c.* will be represented, and the Theory of that Science display'd.

9. The Genius and Beauties of *Homer*, as a Clue to judge, read, and relish properly, the Works of that Father of Poesy.

16. On the Eloquence of the Bar, with Remarks on its Antient and Modern Character.

23. On the Attitude, or Contrast of the Body, in Action.

30. The Harmony of the Voice.

**Dec. 7.** The Character, and Banishment of *Ovid*.

14. *Virgil*, and the History of *Camilla*.

21. The Character and Stile of *Horace*, and the Advance of *Latin Poetry*.

28. The *Gracian History*.

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**Jan. 4.** The Principles of the *Roman History*; setting that necessary Part of Knowledge in a clearer Light, than has been attempted.

11. The Nature and Conduct of Dramatical Entertainments.

18. The Antient and Modern Use of Masques and Pantomimes, with Remarks Historical and Moral.

25. The Principles, History, and Force of Musick.

**Feb. 1.** The History, Principles, and Reformation proposed of the *English Law*.

8. On Astronomy and Astrology.

15. Time and Place the Lights of History.

22. The History of the Rise and Progress of Inquisitions, or inflicting Civil Punishments on the Account of Religion: Shewing the State of them in the Antient Church, in the *Roman Empire*, a Parallel between that and the present Inquisitions; the Original of them

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in *Europe*, the Persecution of the *Waldenses*, the Authority of *St. Dominic*, the Croisades, the Wars and Difficulties in introducing the Inquisition, it's Establishment in several Parts of *Italy*, in *Spain*, and at *Venice*, and the Wars and Revolts in the *Low-Countries*, on the Efforts made for settling it in those Parts.

Mar. 1. The Maxims and Proceedings of the *Spanish* Inquisition, the Torture, or giving the Question, the *Auto da Fe*, or the Act of Faith, with all the Ceremonies of executing Religious Delinquents in that Country.

8. The Inquisition in *Portugal* and the *Indies*; the absolving the dead Corpse of *Don John*, who opposed it; the Cruelties of it; the Treatment of Women; how Princes are prevail'd on by all Ecclesiasticks, first to give them temporal coercive Power, and then heighten it up, if they can, to an Inquisition, every where; the Behaviour of *Molin*, the Thirty-nine Articles of the Inquisition at *Venice*: And it will be prov'd, that the coercive temporal Power of Churchmen is inconsistent with Christianity, and destructive to the Liberty, Power, Trade and Constitution of *Great Britain* in all her Dominions, with the THORNS of it.

15. A *Philippic* Oration, (after the Manner of *Demosthenes* against *Philip* of *Macedon*) in Honour to the Memory of *Sir F. Drake*, on the Naval Power of *Britain*.

22. In Honour to *Mecenas*, and upon the antient and present Encouragement of Learning.

29. In Honour to the Memory and Character of *Sir I. Newton*, the Rise, Progress, Principles, and Usefulness of the Mathematics, the Nature of Evidence and Demonstration, and how far it might be desirable in religious and political, as well as other Matters, without Injury to the Proprietors.

April 5. To the Memory of *Inigo Jones*, the Rise and Progress of *Masonry*, the Vindication of it,  
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from it's old unpublish'd Constitutions, and proving Masonry in all Arts, Sciences, and Professions.

*April 12.* A Panegyrick on *Shakespear*, especially with Regard to his Morality; and an Account of the Nature, Judgment, and Rise of Tragedy.

19. Honorary to Sir G. Kneller, and the Art of Painting: Describing it's Nature, Original, and Progress; and pressing the Right of ingenious *Englishmen* to be here principally encouraged in that, and all other Branches of Art and Literature.

26. On Wit and Imagination.

*May 3.* An Oration commemorative of the late Earl of *Northampton*, and the *Compton* Family. In which, to avoid the obnoxious Reflexions of any Party-Distinction, the Design is to shew, that Loyalty to the Prince, and Publick-Spirit to the Subject, are equally distant from all Temporary Views or Political Engrossments, suitable to the unerring Determination, *Nobi itas sola atque unica virtus*.

30. The Art of moving the Passions.

37. The Rural Muse, displaying the Nature, Rise, and Beauties of Pastoral Poetry.

24. The History and Principles, the Genius and Standard of the *English* Tongue.

31. An *Harveian* Oration, compendiously displaying the History and Principles of Physic, the modern Improvements, the Difference between a true Physician and an Empirick, the *Religio Medici*, &c.

*June 7.* The Sacrament; in which the whole Subject will be regularly modell'd in one Discourse, the Point demonstratively prov'd, all Objections answer'd, and they, who hold the contrary, are invited to a Conference at the Table, after the Reading, according to the printed Rules.

14. On the History and Reasons of Ecclesiastical Property and Revenues, the Essentiality, and Equivalent of any one National Religion to



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a State: With the real Difference between Churches and Oratories fairly open'd.

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28. On Church Authority: What a Church is? What Authority is? Who have that Authority? Who have it not? Who has a Right to make a Church? The Apostolick Mission and Succession; and the whole Merits of that Question.

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5. In Praise of a Merchant, with a Display of the Nature and Benefits of Commerce; and demonstrating the worthy Tradesman to be the main Support of a free Nation and Government.

12. On the History, Honour, and Liberty of the Press.

19. The Royal Panegyric, on the Model of *Pliny* to *Trajan*, being the Address of the Oratory, the first Imitation of *Pliny's* Discourse that has been attempted in the *English* Tongue, and the first Address that has been made in this Manner.

26. On the Nature and History of Ordination, with the Case in Law, Fact, and Right of the Consecration of *M. Parker*; an Enquiry whether all Spiritual Right does not flow from the King and the Laws of the Realm only, since his suppos'd Consecration-Clause, if he was consecrated, neither expresses, nor implies the conferring of any Episcopal Commission, with an Account of *F. Courayer*, the Apostolical Mission and Succession, &c.

- August 2. On the Apostolical Constitutions, opening *Whiston's* Arguments on that Subject, and preparing for a View of the Objections in another Discourse.

9. On Satire.

16. A Review of the *English* Orders, as claim'd to be independent of the State, and deriv'd from *Rome*; confuting the Books of *Mason*, and Father *Courayer*, and discussing the Nag's-head Consecration.

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Aug. 23. A Discourse on Ordination, the Fancies of Father Courayer, and an Enquiry into the Genuine-ness of the *Lambeth* Register, relating to the first *English* Orders, as claim'd independent of the State, by the Canal of *Rome*.

30. On the Mistakes of the *English* Translation of the Bible, compared with the Original, and the Necessity of a New Version, taking in such Mistakes as may seem design'd, and may affect Salvation.

Sept. 6. The Second on the Mistakes of the *English* Version of the Bible, proving by more Instances the Necessity of a new Translation: Hundreds of Errors are producible: This is but a Specimen.

13. On the *British* Senate, it's Rise, Advance, Dignity, the Talents of a good and shining Senator, a Parallel with those of *Rome*, *Athens*, *Venice*, and other Antient and Modern Legislatures, with the Way to be a Leader in it, on Maxims of good Sense and Patriotism.

20. On the Genius of *Lee* and the Sublime and Marvellous, in Composition.

27. On the Characters, and Fates of the *English* Monarchs, and the Elements of the *English* History.

Octob. 4. On the Beauties and Character of *Gato*, with a particular Account of the Life and Works of Young *Juba*, King of *Mauritania*.

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Oct. 18. On the Ministers and Favourites of Sovereign Princes, their Interests, Safety, Maxims, Remarks on *Machiavel*, the Fall of Prince *Menzikoff*, and the right Use of the Political Art.

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Nov. 1. A Display of the Part which Mr. *Collins* sustains in the present famous Controversy on the Truth of the Christian Religion; giving a just and clear View of his Question, Arguments, and Conduct in it; That they who are inclin'd to know the State of it on his Side,

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Side, but have not read his Books, or weigh'd the Argument, may have, at once, a ready and full Notion of it.

**Nov. 8.** On the Crusade against the Deists, or the Combatants with Mr. Collins, Bishop Chandler, Dr. Clarke, Sykes, Rogers, &c. the Scheme of Literal Prophecy, with Advice to the Deists, first to understand the Text, and then Reason upon it as they judge convenient.

15. The Key to the *Jewish* Controversy.

22. A Disputation according to the Plan against the *Jews*: Mr. H. offers to defend the Oratory in a Disputation, in any Church, or Religious Assembly, as well as there, on proper Notice.

29. On a Proposition for an Academy of Sciences; with the readiest Idea of School Learning, and the Classics.

**Decem. 6.** On pretended Inventions, or Discoveries in Religion, as *Baruch's* Letters, and Notes, *Ezekiel's* Temple at *Alexandria*, the fourth Book of *Esdras*, and famous Vision of the great Eagle and Lion, another *Solomon*, another Psalm besides the last, another Book of *Maccabees*, an Account of a lost Book, (which seems unaccountable) another Letter and Advertisement from *Jerusalem* to *Aegypt*, with some Notes N<sup>o</sup> I.

**Dec. 13.** On the Continuation and Enlargement of the Defence of the Oratory against all Objections,

20. On *Shakespear*, and the Tragick Muse, with a Critique on a present Dramatick Piece restor'd.

27. On Popular Prejudices, and Vulgar Errors, especially in Regard to the Distinction of Days, and the Notion of *Childermas* Day in particular.

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**Jan. 3.** On the State of the Universe in Learning, Religion, Wit, Politeness, and Politicks; the Taste of the Town, Commerce and Credit; the Encouragement of the *Belles Lettres* at Court, and of Trade in the City; on making



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king Scandal a Part of Controversial Divinity; the Decision of the *Bangorian* Dispute by the Reconcilement of Dr. *Sherlock* with the Bishop of *Bangor*; the Case of the Law, and Physick; Inquisitions of *Lateran*, *Embrun*, Convocation, Epick imported from *France*, the leading Characters of the great World; the *Antiwalpolians*, and other learned and improving Articles, adapted to a very refin'd and judicious Age,

*Jan. 10.* For the Instruction of those who do not like it, the Academy of Sciences will have an Essay on the Philosophy, Criticism, History, and great Use of Nonsense, in all Articles, and Professions, especially in the Learned, the Ingenious, the Political, and the Polite World, who excel in it, painted without the Name; a Defence of Wit, and some Sorts of Divinity, &c. against the Imputation of Sense; where and how it is best improv'd and refin'd: A Proof, that all the Figure and Success of Life depends upon it; the present happy Prospect of its Growth, adapted to the Age.

17. On the History, and Secret of Book-Craft; the Choice and Disposition of a Library for all Persons and Societies; Bishops and Statesmen of all Religions, Divines and Gentlemen of all Pretensions; especially for those who cannot read; Plan of a Library at *St. James's*: *Madam Dacier* a Pattern to her Sex, and the Idea of a Study for them: On the Trade and Furniture of Books, the Surprize of Title Pages; Traffick, and Wars, and Characters of Booksellers, and Authors: Subscriptions and Dedications; difference of the Value and Price of Copies; the Plenty of Books, and Dearth of Sense; the Advantage of the Oratory to the Booksellers, in advertising for them; and to their Customers, in making Books usefess; with all the Learning, Reason, and Wit that can conveniently be put in one Discourse on this Point, and more than are proper for one Advertisement.

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**Jan. 24. A** Critical History of the Pleasures of Mankind in all Ages; in the East, and among the *Asiatics*, *Greeks*, *Romans*; and in *Scythia*, or *Scotia*, (so all the North is called from its Darkneſs;) all Titles of Honour from the publick Games, which were Part of the *Scythian* Religion, the Diversions of the *Scythian* Lords, *Ruffus*, *Valentine*, *Orſon*, *Petergreenus*, &c. The Myſtic Leaves of the *Sibylline* Ladies, deciding Fate, burnt by *Tarquinius*: The History of the *Poli*; the Solemnity of the *Mafcalia* at a Time of the Moon deſcrib'd, ſhewing the Truth and the Reverse of Nature and Nations; the *Centaurs* of *Nova Mercia*; the Delight in Feathers, Rings, and colour'd Scarves, like the *Indians*, Fiſhers and Hunters of Men; the *Scythian* Pleaſures in the City, Country, &c. among all Perſons, from the Hiſtorians of *Scythia*.

31. On the History and Philoſophy of Ridicule, from *Democritus* to Dean *Swift*: The Art of judging, and what is more, of avoiding the Ridiculous, in all Characters: The ludicrous Table of the Ancients and Moderns diſplay'd, as *Lucian*, *Æſop* in all Shapes and none, *Martial*, *Plautus*; the *Italian* Comedy, and others; *Rabelais*, *Scarron*, *Hudibras*, *Quixote*, *Garth*, &c. the ſeveral Names and Forms of it; Modern Examples of the Ridiculous; with numerous Proofs that all Mankind is deeply intereſted in this Conſideration, except the Auditory.

**Febr. 7.** An Eſſay on the History, Religion, Politicks, Powers, and Uſes of Synods and Cackling-kens from *Adam* until now: Who was *Prater* to the firſt in *Eden*, and its Happineſs to Mankind: Why *David* uſed none, and *Solomon* imitated *David*: *Chriſt* crucify'd by a *Jewiſh* Colluſion: *Herod* and *Pilate* being Friends: *Cerberus* three headed. An Inquiſition, *Knicknark* and *Clappetdogeon*; Scheme for a *Cankackiation* of Ladies, *Queer-cuffins* B *Supra-*

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Supremacy ; Prospect of the Blessed *Millennium* ; Goody *Whiston's* Joy ; Parable of *Isaac Bickerstaff* smiling beneath a *Humpback-tent*, apply'd to the *Blind-harpers* under the Protection of the *Queer-nab* ; Infallibility and the Longitude will speedily be clear ; Dr. *Smalridge* presenting Dr. *Atterbury*, applyed : Loyalty of the *Clutterology* in helping off King *Charles I's* Head (his Majesty's Uncle) ; the Battles of the Upper and Lower House ; Cloven fiery Tongues : *Henley* or *Hoadley*, who's first ; Committee of Trade : King *William's* Thoughts in Heaven about Dr. *Potter's* Sermon, the Use of *Cackletonians* to bring about new Revolutions, &c.

*Febr. 14.* On the Calculation of Rational, Moral, and Religious Evidence, with Remarks on the Knowledge of Chances and Probabilities ; to reduce, in some Measure, Fortune (which is thought the most uncertain of Things) to Certainty ; and a Geometrical Lecture.

21. A Publick Experiment, Whether a Blank, or a full Advertisement will raise the greater Curiosity ? And a Disputation on the Question, Whether Motion be Essential to Matter ?

28. On the Globe, with a Lecture by a Teacher of the Mathematicks, to solve this Geographical Paradox, viz. There are three Places on the Earth, 1000 Miles distant from each other, from any one of which a Man may walk to either of the other two, in an artificial Day, at a certain Time of the Year, without Hurry or Fatigue.

*March 6.* On the Life, Death, and surprizing Adventures of Wit ; the Pedigree of the Family, their various Fortunes, Alliances, Rencontres, and other Occurrences ; their Friends and Enemies ; who is Patron of Wit, *Mercury*, *Apollo*, for the Men, or *Minerva* for the Ladies, and why ; who are Patrons and Professors of it among the Moderns : Whether Wit be of the Growth of *England*, or the Manufacture only, and whence imported ;  
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Scheme for a Tax on Wit, the Neat Produce, the Value on an Annuity, &c. Who must speak, or petition for or against it; the Last Speech, Will, and Legacy of Wit; his Epitaph, Funeral, Undertakers, Pall-bearers, and Chief Mourner; the State of Wit after Death; his Correspondence with his Friends, Purgatory, and Hopes and Fears of ——— or ——— for ever. His Works and Remains, &c.

**March 13.** On the History of Money, before and after the Golden Age; the Nature and Foundation of Publick and Private Wealth; the Oeconomy of the *Spartan* Republick, the Value of Industry, and Time; the Exactness of Accounts, in Nations, and private Persons: The Balance of Power and Trade, especially in this Island: The Market Price of all Persons, Affairs, and Professions; the Chronicle of that Market, and of each Article in the Money'd Interest; Gain and Loss of Money, its Use and Improvement; Necessary and unnecessary Charges, and the Calculation of the Consequences: Proving the Nature and Circumstances of Things to be the constant Law of Money, as well as of Politics, and enquiring how, and by whom, those Circumstances may at any Time be created.

**20. A** Plan for a new Commercial Society of the Trading, Landed, and Money'd Interest: Domestic and Foreign; to survey each, and their Connexion, and real or imaginary Bottom, in all Articles: Not only to subsist and flourish within itself, but to command a leading Power over all Rivals, in each of those Interests, at Home and Abroad; to inspect and remedy all Complaints and Hindrances in each of them; to prevent or remove Poverty, Private, or National: An infallible Art to get an Estate, taking some Things for granted, as it is in all other Arts; with every other Consideration weigh'd, for and against the Subject.

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March 27. On the Art of raising Curiosity Mechanically, with the History of the ancient and present State of that Passion in all Mankind : — mistaken in his Universal Passion ; a Critic on his Manner of raising Curiosity : The Engines to be used for this Purpose by or upon Authors, Publick Paper-mongers, Wits, Beaux, Physicians, Lawyers, Divines, fine Ladies, and fine Gentlemen ; Citizens, Courtiers, and Senators ; Persons of all Ranks, Ages, Conditions, Fortunes, and Professions : What must, and what only may excite Curiosity : Whether this was Original Sin : The Ebbs and Flows of it in the *Hay-Market* : Mr. — Curiosity and Reasons for seeing the — Opera, pleaded at the Bar of the — Coffee-house : With many more Curiosities, to recite all of which here, would destroy the Curiosity of knowing the rest.

April 3. On the Action of *Cicero*, and the Beauty of Eloquence ; and on Living Characters of Action ; in the Senate, at the Bar, in the Pulpit, and in all remarkable Places, States, and Circumstances of Humane Life ; the Theatrical, in all Men ; Parallels of Action ; the Drama, *Italian, French, English*, Musical, Tragical, &c. The Manners of my Lord —, Sir —, Dr. —, the B. of —, my Lady — : Action Religious, Political, Athletic, and Ridiculous ; that of Preachers, Pleaders, Beggars in all Places, being an universal Censure on Action, and a Proof that all Life is Playing something, but with different Action.

10. On Infant Communion, at least, as right, Christian, and Primitive, as Infant Baptism ; shewing, that all the Arguments for and against the one, hold equally for and against the other ; proving it from Scripture, Primitive Practice, and the Reason of the Thing ; at what Age the Primitive Church gave the Sacrament to Children ; when and why it was discontinu'd in any Church ; the

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the Greek Church right in this Matter ; evincing it as essential a Duty, and the Neglect as damnable a Sin, as that of Infant Baptism ; and demonstrating from the Gospel of Christ, that Children baptizable are so far from being unfit for the other Sacrament, that no Christians whatever are fit to receive it, till they become as little Children ; and that many, who think themselves Men and Women, are really, at least, very often, Babes and Infants.

*April 17.* On the Disputes about our Lord's Last Passover ; whether he and the *Jews* kept it the same Day ; if not, wherefore, and which was right, according to *Moses* : Whether a Contradiction between St. *John* and St. *Matthew*, *Mark*, and *Luke* : A Confutation of Father *Calmet's* Hypothesis, and a Discovery whence he borrow'd it ; the Question of Unleaven'd Bread ; DO THIS, a Law of Christ for it : Whether washing the Disciples Feet was a Sacrament ; the Sop of *Judas* ; the Place, Posture, and Circumstances of the Last Passover.

24. On the Kingdom of Darkness, or, the History and Philosophy of Unintelligibles ; a Survey of what no Person knows, and a Comment on what can never be explain'd : Displaying by Facts the Impossibility of understanding, and of being understood, and the great Talent and Blessing of the contrary, in all the Scenes and Characters of Life : Plan of a Satire on Light and Knowledge, and a Panegyrick on Night, and Ignorance ; Blindness, Dumbness, Deafness, Insensibility, Immobility ; Shadows and Mysteries ; Plots and Masonry ; Riddles and Silence ; Masks, Screens, Black Gowns, Veils, Dark Lanthorns, Patches, Cloaks, and deep Mourning ! A Library of Books, and an Academy of Persons unintelligible ; Ladies incomprehensible to themselves and others ; the Nature and Necessity of Systems, Machines, and publick Institutions to prevent being understood, in all Countries ; the State of  
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the Cabbala, Mysticks, and Rosycrucians, A Paraphrase on Dashes, Sheep-hooks, and Tar-bottles; Words and no Words; Sentences and none; A is B, and D is G; Black and White the same; a Mill to make Meanings and coin I——do's, —— with —— and \* and ¶, &c. the Art of Decyphering a Decypherer, and Ten Thousand of the brightest Strokes in the World, on the most sad-colour'd Subject that ever was invented.

May 1. On the Manners of Savages, proving that by Nature, Instinct is the Principle of Humane Actions; shewing the Variety and History of that Instinct in Vice and Virtue: The Universe a Machine; all living Creatures Parts of it: The Notion of improving, and defending Humane Nature, by Society and Laws, stated: The Problem, Whether the Humane Species be the most Savage, and whether there be Free-Will.

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15. A Law-Reading on the Rights and Liberties of an *English* Subject; tracing them Historically from the Original Powers given by our *Saxon* Ancestors to their Princes or Chiefs; shewing by what Steps those Leaders enlarged and extended their Powers, and own'd it by restoring them to the People, under the Terms of Grants, Tenures, Charters, Privileges, and Concessions, &c. A Gloss on *Magna Charta*, the Petition of Right, the Declaration of Rights at the Revolution, and the Act of *Habeas Corpus*; the Crown-Law, Oaths, and Duty of Judges and Juries; Expositions of Words and Sentences, according to the Maxims of Law, with Observations on our History relating to this Point; and the Consequences of straining it; the whole design'd to be a full Comment in Reason and Learning, on that great Fundamental of all Law and Government, *What is Sauce for a Goose may be Sauce for a Gander*.

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**May 22.** The Critical History of Poverty; a Subject so universal and particular, so strange and and familiar, so ingenious and dull, so light and heavy, so grave and ridiculous, so politick and plain, so peaceful and warlike, so lofty and popular, so sacred and profane, so surprizing and so well known, that all Persons will be both the poorer and the richer for coming to it, and to add more here, would spoil the Wit both of the Speech and the Advertisement.

**29. A Paradox on the Philosophy, History and great Use of Nonsense; its Definition and Division, into Ecclesiastical and Civil, Academical and Military, &c. A Proof that Wit and Sense are the Extremes of Nonsense, and that the only true Medium of Judgment, Happiness, and Reputation; a View of the large Kingdom of Nonsense, its most happy Constitution in Church and State, its Ministry, Universities, Affairs by Sea and Land, Clergy, Addressees, and other Articles. The Life and Adventures of a great Person call'd Nonsense, his Education and Genius, his Studies, Diversions and Affairs; his Tutors and Chaplains, his Travels and Figure, the Secret of Nonsense in Senates, some Pulpits and Courts, Stocks and Credit, projecting, making Love, and getting a Place; a modest Plea for Bear-Gardens, Masquerades, Drawing-Rooms, the Mall, the Ring, and all polite publick Places: The Refinement and Perfection of Nonsense. Professors of Nonsense; War of Pope and Company with the Town-Wits; best Way of writing and confuting Books; the Mischief of Sense: The whole a System of the most improving Literature, and a Panegyrick, without Flattery, on the finest Works and Characters of the Times.**

**June 5.** On the History and Criticism of Matrimony; its three Ends, before we begin; its Definition and Division manifold; a View of it on the Principles of Law, Physick, Divinity,

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nity, (especially controversial) Musick, Poetry, and Prose; the Passion of Love, as it consists in settling well, Dress and Address, modish Living, in *St. Paul's* Phrase, with Wives, as tho' they had none; or a secret Memoir on a single Life from the Creation, the East, *Greeks*, and *Romans* to this Day, being a Chronicle of Maid and Bachelor; Matrimonial Problems infinite; whether Marriage or a Nunnery be more mortifying, or meritorious; if Wedlock splenetick in *England*, and the Remedy; Project of a scolding Funnel; Advice to Masons; free Masons no Husbands; an Episode on the Word Sex; Sir *T. Overbury's* Wife and the Wife of Sir *Thomas*; Cases, Reports, Precedents, Demurrers, Rejoinders and Surrejoinders, Issue and Impeachment of Waste; Divorces and Elopement, Peace and Wars of Matrimony, being a Subject for which many, and in which all are concern'd.

**June 12.** A Lament on the Long Vacation, attended with a Reflexion on the Life and Death of last Winter, and a Vision, thro' a Glass darkly, of the next Season: The Vacuum of Sense, Honesty, and Money, an universal Complaint; the Extent of the Particle No! and of Nothing; an Invektive against Something; the Praise of Idleness, Sauntering, Indolence, Emptiness, Silence, and doing Nothing; how all the World, at Home and Abroad, keep the Vacation; what all do, and do not; what they would have, and have not; vacant Places, thin Churches, no Theatres, no Masquerades, Misery and Desolation every where! Nature dead, *Pope's* Owl in Dreams the *Dunciad* repeats; Blanks all and Cyphers, Transitory Scenes and Vanity; who keep the Vacation all the Year; a Remark on the Blessing of Sleep and Dullness; the Happiness of the seven Sleepers and the Dormouse; a Satire on Business and Action; the Change of Colleges, Inns of Court, the Hall, the Alley, and all Places  
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Persons, and Things in the quiet Profund,  
the immense Void, alas ! of the Vacation.

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July 3. On Matrimony and a Single Life, enlarged with the following Topicks, the Defence of Marriage in Point of Reputation, Interest, and Pleasure, against the Single Life ; Advice to a Son : The Soliloquy of a Coquet ; the Management of them ; Dress, Fashions, Airs, &c. all Tendencies to Wedlock : Its Natural History, Peace, Wars, Treaties : The Bachelors Meditation, and the Ladies Calling : The Sentiments of the Learned about Wedlock ; some Precedents : The present State of Conversation, and the Beau Monde : Stock of Wit, Sense, and Address, whether at, under, or above Par : Episode on Widowhood and Divorce ; the Stile of a Billet ; a gallant Husband always a Lover ; the Case of *Socrates* and *Xantippe*, how to be remedy'd, with Questions and Solutions.

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15. A full Discourse on an empty Subject ; the Praise of Quibbles, Puns and Forms ; the History of the Vacation ; a Defence of Dr. —'s Maggots ; that Summer is a cold Season ; the Blessing of Dullness and Indolence ; few Cries and many Complaints in our Streets ; ten fine Similies for a Poem on this Time ; the great Importance of Nothing prov'd by above 20 Instances ; present Behaviour of a genteel Tradesman ; a litteral Narrative of a Gentleman landing from the Country at St. *James's* Coffee-house ; the Delights of *Soissons* ; Still Life at Home and Abroad ; the Pleasures of the Swains, &c. in the Country ; how all live, Clergy and Laity, Governors, Subjects ; the Physicians, Lawyers, Ladies, &c. in this Interval ; with much more than can be compriz'd in a few Words.

17. A most learned and surprizing Course of Experiments of the Fits and Remedies of the **SPLEEN** : Its Anatomy, Mechanism with the Head, Heart, Stomach, &c. its Effects rarify'd and condens'd in the Air Pump ; why to be cur'd by Steel ; Proof that all great

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Persons, Actions, eminent Writings, (as the *Iliad*, the *Eneid*, the *Dunciad*, &c.) all fine Sentiments; Wars, Treaties, and all the Marvellous in Life, are produced by it: An Anatomical Discovery that Mr. Pope's Spleen is bigger than his Head: Two splenic Omens, of the Bees, and the Rev. Dr. — rode over at the Review: The Phenomena of the Spleen, in the Face, &c. a Complement, and a Cure to all the Ladies Hypo and Vapours; the Mechanical Necessity of writing, deserving, and punishing Libels; therefore the Innocence of all: Why Mr. P. adds the dirty Dialect to that of the Water, and is in Love with the Nymphs of *Fleet-ditch*: Petition of a Patent for Life to abuse every Body as the finest Preferment: Spleen of a Wit, a Physician, a Divine, &c. with a Million of more improving Conceits than any in this Bill.

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31. A new Map of the World; the Gallery of Humour, the Force of Nature; a General Review of Masks, Machines, Bridles, Pack-saddles, and Theatrical Habits; a Defence of a very worthy Part of the World from the Imputation of Parish-jobbing; the Opinion of a *French* Bishop relating to the World; Proof that there is no such Thing as Motion; that the World is the same, yet different and inconsistent; that all Insides are Outsides; that all Life is an Exercise of the Mask, Schools for it; Boarding-Schools, &c. for the Discipline of Female Masks, others for the Male; placing an old Subject in a new Light, and giving a right Key to the Knowledge of Mankind.

August 7. The Physicians Lecture, occasion'd by the Death of Dr. *Friend*, with his Elogium, as a Physician, a Scholar, a Gentleman, and in his Political Character; Remarks on the State of Physick, antient and modern; a curious Memoir of the Scripture-Physick, and that of the Old *Jews*; what are the Maladies, and the Cure of all Societies and Persons; the Extent of the Incurables; honourable Mention of some leading Physicians at home and

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and abroad; Proof that Astrology is Part of Physick; with other Observations proper to compleat the Subject.

Aug. 9. The Elogium of Dr. Friend; his Talents from Nature and Acquirement; Praise of *Oxford* and *Westminster* School; his Works; the Doctor's Recovery from a Disease call'd the Tower; how his Epitaph should be written; his Character as a Gentleman and a Statesman; Friendship with Dr. Mead; his Reception in the Shades; with a particular Account of fifteen Physicians: Poor Dr. Cole! what is the finest Turn of an Elogium; the Physicians great Encouragement of Polite Letters, and Aversion to Parties and Prejudices; with a Plan for a Body of National Physicians; and an Account of the Physick of the *Jews*; an Episode about Quacks of all Sorts, the Cure of Physick itself, and the Distempers of Physicians.

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16. On the Spleen; whether we can live without it; why the Physicians have found no entire Antidote to it; the Force of the Weather upon the Soul; a Weather-Glass for the Spleen the best Prognostic of all Things; other Instruments to view it; all the gay and grave Part of Life owing to a light or heavy Spleen; Proof that the Spleen thinks and judges of all Things; its Pulse; that Brain, where it is, is useless, the Mind being in the Spleen; Reasoning on its Situation; why Steel prescrib'd for it; the History of it, among the Gods, in Revelation, *Greece* and *Rome*, &c. Two late Omens splenetic; the Cure of the Ladies Spleen; the Look of it; the Form of a Petition to the Ministry for Leave to abuse them, and the Reasons; the Spleen of Hero's, &c. wonderful; universal Quixotism; and a Project for a splenetic Academy.

21. On the Town, or the Critical History of *London*: That the Town is not *London*; has more than two Ends; is only a large Market of all Goods and Cattle, dead and alive: Reasons for Mace and Custard, worth hearing; Parallel with the Country: The two Giants, a Type of the Overgrowth of the Town;



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Town; their History; the Fall of *Barile-  
new*; some small Learning on this popu-  
lous Subject: *Memoirs of Westminster-Hall*  
and *Newgate*, Parliament-House and Tower,  
*Exchange* and *Bedlam*, C——s and other Of-  
fices of Insurance for Soul and Body: Houses  
orderly and disorderly; for Coffee or Conver-  
sation: Whether St. J——'s beat this or t'other  
End of the Town: *London* musically confi-  
der'd: Difference of the Cries, and Singing at  
—— Quere, Whether the new Bridge-makers  
are all Pontifical: Affairs and Pleasures of  
the Town, Interest, Stocks, &c. Dr. *Sprat's*  
Text to the Artillery-Company; and a  
thousand Flights, all new, and equally to  
the Purpose, on the Societies, publick Pa-  
pers, and whole Establishment Civil, Spi-  
ritual, Naval, Military, &c. of this great  
Hive; with one Word on the prodigious  
Militia of the T—— Mum.

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28. A Camp-Lecture, or a Review of the whole  
Army, on a Spot not 40 Foot Square; with  
the universal History of Tactics, Accou-  
trements antient and modern, Fire and Fu-  
ry, Daggers, Belts, Blades, and Scabbards;  
the Fall of Pikes and Bandileers, and the  
Rise of Bayonets and Cartridge-Boxes; Pro-  
blem of running and standing Forces; the  
old Archery or Bowmen of *England*; the Art  
of raising, keeping, managing, and beating  
an Army; whether the Devil invented  
Gunpowder; Characters of Generals, hot  
and cold; a clean Stratagem, the main Point;  
a View of Military Divinity; how the *Jews*  
got, kept, and lost the promised Land; a De-  
fence of our Army, that needs no Defence;  
Sighs of the Fair for the Brave, and the  
Brave for the Fair; Project of improving the  
King of *Prussia's* tall Grenadiers by reviving  
the Use of Elephants, and importing Dro-  
medaries; History of Trumpets, with  
several Rounds and Vollics of what you  
please, challenging all that dare even to  
hear them: Then as you were, March.

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